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Dedicated Freight Corridors
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action plan is being implemented by the Railways to link the Delhi-Mumbai dedicated freight corridor with the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor zone;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways proposes to complete the said project by providing additional budgetary allocation and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the status of Indore-Dahod and Dhaar-Chhota Udaipur railway line projects; and

(e) the time by which these projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): The development plans and connectivity requirements of the investment regions/industrial nodes of the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) zone alongside the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC) alignment are prepared by the DMIC Development Corporation Ltd. (DMICDC). The rail connectivity to/from Western DFC and the funding options would depend on the specific requirements of the different investment regions/industrial nodes and their business models. The cost of the rail connectivities do not form part of the Western DFC's cost estimate. No separate rail connectivity works have been planned by the Railways.

(d) & (e): Present status of the Dahod-Indore and Chotaudepur Dhar new line projects are as under:

(i) In Dahod- Indore (206 Km.) new line project, land acquisition for 50 Km. has been completed. Land acquisition in balance section has been taken up. Indore-Rau section (15 km) has been completed and commissioned. Further, track linking in Rau-Tihi (6 Km.) section has also been completed. An expenditure of ` 331.61 crore has been incurred up to March, 2016, with an outlay of ` 100 crore in the year 2016-17.

(ii) In Chhotaudepur- Dhar (157 Km.) new line project, acquisition of 261.21 hect. out of 264 hect. land in Chhotaudepur-Alirajpur (50 Km) section has been completed. In this section, earthwork, bridges works, Road Over Bridge works etc. have been taken up wherever land is available. Land acquisition in balance section has been taken up. An expenditure of ` 270.35 crore has been incurred up to March, 2016, with an outlay of ` 100 crore in the year 2016-17.
Completion of project is also dependent upon many factors such as statutory clearances like forestry and wild life clearances, shifting of services, cutting of trees, construction of road over bridges and road under bridges by road maintaining agencies etc. Since many of these factors are beyond the control of Ministry of Railways, timelines for completion of these projects cannot be indicated at this stage.

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